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## W. C. T. U.'s COLUMN.

From the Independent.

### Points for Prohibition.

21. We are often told that the majority of drinkers are moderate drinkers, and that the number of those who "make beasts of themselves" by over-indulgence is comparatively small. Hence, it is argued, the proper remedy for intemperance is not to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicants, but to teach men self-control, so that they will know when to drink and when not to drink. Self-control should always be inculcated and cultivated; but those who propose it as a sovereign remedy for intemperance forget that all the forces of the liquor traffic are in league to break it down. The traffic, as represented by the Saloon, is an aggressive, soulless business. The only principal it inculcates or cultivates is, "Drink! drink!" It teaches indulgence not restraint. It has no standard of moderation to propose, and admits of none. It invites, it entreats, it entraps customers. It tempts to indulgence, and trains to over-indulgence. Not one of its patrons has an even chance to preserve his self-control. It is a mockery to speak of curing intemperance while the saloon exists to produce it.

22. From the class of moderate drinkers the ranks of immoderate drinkers are invariably recruited. The whole tendency of drinking is toward intemperance. The taste for intoxicants is not a natural, but an acquired or inherited taste. It develops by indulgence, and is strengthened by habit. It is never satisfied. It awakens rather than quenches thirst. It steadily undermines the will power, and captures the citadel of self-control. The day of surrender may be long delayed in some cases; it may never come in others; but it is safe to say that no moderate drinker, though he may succeed always in maintaining his self-control, is quite the same as he would be if he were an abstainer. We do not advocate Prohibition to make men sober, but to suppress a public business organized to make them drunk. Prohibition is not direct to the drinker, but to the vender. The State may not prevent a man from losing his self-control in drinking; but it may prevent another man from making it a public business to destroy that self-control.

23. The evils of intemperance are so manifest and so monstrous that the State is compelled to recognize them, and to take action against them in its own defense. The State is concerned in the welfare not only of its communities, but of every family and individual under its dominion. The influence which tend to undermine health and shorten life, to cripple labor and prevent thrift, to produce paupers and increase criminals, are clearly hostile to the State and it is the duty of the State to suppress them so far as possible. The life of the humblest individual is as sacred as that of its most honored citizen, and the State is under obligation to provide all possible safeguards not only against all attempts to destroy it, but against all epidemics and plagues and sources of disease. The State has the same solicitude for the moral welfare of the citizen. In short, the State not only has the power to provide for the public safety, the public health and the public morals; but it cannot, as we have already shown by citations from decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, "divest itself" of that power. The very purpose for which government is organized is to exercise it.

24. The State in its care for the public health prohibits the sale of impure and unwholesome articles of food. Unripe or decayed fruit, diseased meat, adulterated milk, are seized and destroyed and the dealers punished. The sale of articles dangerous to life or limb health is regulated or prohibited. Boards of health are established to investigate common sources of disease, and to abate them as nuisances, and may exercise extraordinary powers in the prevention or suppression of contagious diseases. The necessity for preserving the public health is so clearly recognized under our Government that the States may, despite the Constitutional right of Congress exclusively to regulate inter-state commerce, prevent the importation of infected articles and establish quarantine regulation.

As a rule, war with China in this country is declared by the awkward waitress.

## A STORY OF THE ALPS.

Not far from where Alpine glaciers rear their glittering peaks, in Switzerland, is the village of N—

It is a grand sight, early in the morning, or of an evening, to watch those stupendous cliffs from the village. There they stand, their summits buried in clouds, the peaks in many places glistening with snow.

Occasionally hovering on the very brink of stupendous ravines, a mere speck may be seen at a distance—the daring chamois hunter, pursuing his avocation among the dizzy heights, with sure foot and unerring rifle.

The village is about a mile from the mountains.

Some years ago, a young Englishman, on a tour through France and Switzerland, put up at the village inn, a small place, kept by a burly landlord named Jezman.

Seated in the front, or public room, one morning, smoking a cigar, he beheld a pleasant girl tripping past with a pail in her hand.

Beauty like hers had seldom met the gaze of the young Englishman, not even among the higher class. He actually went to the door to watch the rustic beauty.

Her form was of unrivaled proportions, her eyes were of a dark brown, her cheek smooth, plump, and rosy, tinged with a pink color as delicate as that seen in the inside of the seashell.

Her hair, which was of light brown, fell down her shoulders in graceful ripples, her neck was as white as marble, and her pretty teeth glistened between the ripe, red lips.

"How beautiful!" ejaculated Henry Manton—the name of the spectator.

And his eyes gleamed with rapturous admiration as he noticed the light, elastic step and graceful walk of the young girl, whose form seemed to sway lithely like a wave with every motion of the supple body.

"Take care!" exclaimed a voice behind his back.

The Englishman turned and beheld Jezman, the burly landlord.

"That is Mary Freeton," said Jezman, "and the less you look at her or have to say to her, sir, the better for your bones."

"And what have my bones to do with the matter?" inquired Manton.

"They are apt to get broken," answered Jezman, "as Mary is to marry William Setzler, the chamois hunter—the strongest, bravest, and, I am sorry to say, the most quarrelsome man in the village."

"What you say only tempts me the more to make Mary's acquaintance," said Manton.

The landlord started.

"You do not know Setzler or you would not say so," remarked he. "Why, I have seen him thrash three men at a time, and I have seen him take a bull by the horns and throw it down."

"He must be a sort of Hercules," said Henry, quietly. "I confess that I have as much curiosity to see him as to get acquainted with pretty Mary."

Henry spoke lightly, yet no man ever respected woman more than he. He would not have wronged one, either by thought or deed, for the world. But he was sensitive to beauty, and a sort of romantic idea about educating Mary, etc., to be his wife, had flitted across his mind.

Having found out Mary's residence from the landlord, he determined to repair there on the first opportunity.

Fortunately for him her father was a shoemaker, so that the making of a pair of boots would of course be sufficient excuse for his calling.

Mary was in the little room where her father worked when the young man called. She had seen him on the steps of the inn, and blushed as she recognized him.

With the easy tact of a man of the world, he glided into conversation with her father, and contrived also to draw Mary out.

Before a minute had passed she was delighted with the agreeable manners of the young Englishman. He, on his part, was surprised at the degree of intelligence and the sensible behavior shown by this simple girl.

He staid an hour. Her father became uneasy, and more than once directed a glance at Mary as a hint to her to leave the room.

The poor girl, however, did not notice him, but sat, with her whole soul in her eyes, gazing upon the visitor, ex-

cept when he would look at her, on which occasion her long lashes would droop, and her cheeks redden with blushes.

Suddenly the door opened, and a man, who was obliged to stoop to enter, came into the shop.

A giant in size, standing six feet five inches; he was clad in a rough garb of goat-skin and leather, with boots reaching above his knees, which gave him an appearance at once singular and grotesque.

Strapped to his enormous shoulders was a large leather knapsack, and he carried in his arms a large roll of the skin of the chamois.

"Welcome, my son," said the old shoemaker; "and, ah! I see you have brought me a good stock of leather."

The person addressed rubbed his big whiskered face, without saying a word, while glaring stupidly at Mary and the Englishman.

In this position, his enormous figure drawn up to its full height, his long goat-skin cap, which he had not yet taken off, drawn partly over his low brows, he resembled nothing so much as a great bull about to go mad.

"Sit down, sit down," said the shoemaker, "and don't stand there in that way, gaping at a good customer."

"Good customer!" growled the intruder, while Manton kept on speaking to Mary, as if scarcely aware of the other's presence. "Ay, and a bad one you may find him, father, before you are through."

"What do you mean?" exclaimed Manton, his eyes flashed fire. "No more of that, or I shall be compelled to chastise you!"

The huge mountaineer looked down with sneering contempt at the bold speaker.

"I could crush you like an egg-shell," said he, "but you may leave this place unhurt, and thank Heaven you do so with a whole skin."

"Oh, Will, Will!" half screamed Mary, rushing forward and drawing him outside, "you are unreasonable; you know you are, and you had better leave at once."

"How now—you ask me to leave?" he roared, in a voice of thunder.

"Yes, I ask you to leave, for I know there will be trouble. I ask you, as I have asked you many times before, never to come to see me again, as you know I have for you no greater feeling than friendship."

"You have said so, I know. But your father wants you to marry me, and you said you would, and try to love me."

"I said I would try, but it can never be. Alas! alas! I feel now how useless it would be for me to try, and—and—I have changed my mind."

"Since the Englishman came. I see how it is!" cried Setzler.

"Nay, I had made up my mind before."

He looked at her, his brow gathering darkly. Then he started away without uttering a word.

Mary felt terrified, and re-entered the shop with a pale countenance. The Englishman, however, with merry conversation, soon soothed her.

Another hour passed ere he departed not before he had craved and obtained permission to call again and see Mary.

The shoemaker had wanted her to marry Setzler because he was thrifty, economical, and well off. The young Englishman, however, seemed better off than Setzler, and so Freeton had no objection to a change which promised so well. As to Manton having any intentions to deceive Mary, the shoemaker did not entertain such a thought for a moment. He was well versed in human nature, and a firm believer in phrenology.

He had set Manton down as an honest man at once, and when the latter had stated that he was a traveling clerk for a mercantile house in London, Freeton had credited the well-told story at once.

The truth was Manton did not care to have it known that he was a wealthy English gentleman, the owner of large estates, and descended from one of the oldest families in England, lest poor Mary, with the singular veneration of the lower classes for high birth, should feel too much awe in his presence to love him.

As to himself he was completely fascinated by the beauty and artless manners of this simple child, and was determined to win her if he could.

Of a brave, restless nature, he scarcely thought of Mary's low-whispered warning to beware of Setzler as he

drew near the inn where he lodged.

In the afternoon still thinking of Mary, he took the first path he came across for a stroll. His footsteps carried him to a valley.

A man sprung up from behind some bushes as the young man came on. It was William Setzler!

"Now I have you!" roared the giant. Henry stood looking at the speaker from head to foot, with the amused air of a person in a menagerie surveying a wild beast.

This enraged the fellow, who at once sprang upon the Englishman, seizing him by the collar.

"Not so fast," said the latter, as he rapped the giant on the head with the butt of a pistol, taken from his coat-pocket.

He followed up this blow with a well-directed blow from his fist, right between the man's eyes.

Setzler, at this sudden and unexpected assault, staggered back half stunned.

"Now get out of my way!" said Henry, quietly cocking his pistol. "I came out for a stroll, and you have disturbed my reverie."

As he spoke he pointed his pistol at the fellow's head.

The giant laughed.

"Do you think to scare me with that toy?"

And he unsling his carbine from his shoulder.

"Really," said Henry, smiling, "I had not intended to fight a duel with you."

"A duel—yes, that's the word; but not one of your child's duels. We must fight to the death—where he who falls may never get up again!"

And he pointed where the glaciers of the Alps gleamed redly in the afternoon sun.

Somehow, the turn this adventure was taking pleased the romantic fancy of the Englishman, who at once understood the mountaineer, and assented. Arrived at the foot of the lofty peaks, the giant commenced the ascent.

Henry followed him with more difficulty.

Setzler observing this, turned now and then to render assistance to the unaccustomed climber, who, however, declined it.

Finally, arrived near the summit, each of the two men took his place on an icy conical peak, barely broad enough for a foothold, and overlooking an unfathomable abyss, about thirty yards in width, which separated them from each other.

The slightest misstep on the part of either of them must precipitate him into the yawning gulf.

And so there they stood, looking at each other, hate flashing from the mountaineer's eyes as he raised his carbine.

Henry lifted his pistol at the same moment, a peculiar light in his gray orbs.

"One—two—fire!"

This, the signal agreed upon, was given.

Simultaneous reports rang among the hollow rocks.

There stood Henry, smiling, his left arm hanging bleeding at his side. He had received a severe wound, and yet had presence of mind enough not to move.

The chamois hunter watched him with rough admiration.

"We were to fight to the death!" said he, folding his arms across his broad chest. "You have five loads yet remaining in your revolver."

"I will wait till you reload," said the Englishman.

"I have fired my last shot. I used all my ammunition this forenoon," answered the mountaineer.

"All right, then; I am satisfied."

"Nay, we were to fight to the death!" cried Setzler. "Nothing was said about the number of shots."

"Oh, well, as long as I am satisfied," said Henry, coloring.

The truth was, he had discharged his bullet in the air.

"I insist that you fire!" cried Setzler.

"Come, I am not afraid to die. Had I your pistol, and you my carbine, I should discharge all my shots at you."

"I will not consent," said Henry, in unfeigned admiration at the rough fellow's courage, "to fire upon an unarmed man."

"Then I will join you where you are!" cried Setzler, "and we will have our fight out with a tussle to see who shall throw the other into the abyss! As you are wounded, I will make it fair by only using my one hand."

"Be it so," answered Henry, feeling sure that his time had come, yet not hesitating a moment. The Switzer was such a giant that he could not fail to get the advantage in a wrestle on such a narrow footing.

Too hastily leaping from his point, however, the man's foot slipped, and he was only saved from falling into the ravine by clutching the root of a stunted shrub, fully two feet below the edge of the rocky shelf for which he had sprung.

And so there he hung, that root all between him and eternity. The shrub was fast giving way beneath his weight. His eyes were turned appealingly, and half-scornfully, upon the young Englishman.

Not a moment did the latter hesitate. The thought occurred to him even at that moment, that the Switzer would otherwise think he was actuated in the fear of encountering him in a wrestle.

He sprang quickly to the spot, and with his unwounded hand grasped the arm of the chamois hunter.

"Brace your knee against the wall of the cliff," said he, "and let go the shrub. I will give you a pull upwards which will enable you to seize the edge of the cliff."

The mountaineer did as requested, when with the assistance received from the imperiled man pressing his knees against the rocky wall, Henry was enabled, with great danger to himself, to haul him up so that he could seize the edge.

The next moment the hunter was at his side, tears in his eyes.

"It's no use," said he; "I cannot turn my hand against the man who so nobly rescued me at the risk of his own life. Sir, you are the bravest man I ever saw!"

With these words he helped the young man down the precipice. He needed assistance, too, for loss of blood had made him weak almost to fainting.

Arrived at the base of the precipice, Setzler was obliged to carry him in his arms to the inn where he lodged.

A physician was sent for. He came and dressed the wound.

Mary heard of the young Englishman's condition, and, with her father, came frequently to see him.

Her presence seemed to do him more good than the medicine and food he received. He recovered the use of his arm. He married Mary.

Not until after he had educated her, and worn off some of her rusticity by taking her freely into good society, did Manton reveal his true position to the surprised girl.

One day they were riding through a country lane in England.

There was a high wind; a branch fell across the horses' path, frightening them. They would have dashed the coach to pieces, as Henry could not stop them, but for the assistance of a gigantic fellow, who they had noticed before slouching through the fields, and who now, springing from behind a hedge, stopped the horses almost by a single effort of strength.

"My good fellow," began Henry, taking out his purse; but the man now raised his slouch hat, revealing the face of William Setzler.

"I have traveled far to get sight of you once more," he said to Mary. "It seems I came just in time to repay your noble husband for the good turn he served me when up among the glaciers."

With these words, away he went, overpowered by his emotion, and the twin never again saw this half-savage, but not evil-hearted man.

"Subsequently, however, they heard that he had married a French woman, who made him an excellent wife."

This was true, but the big fellow would often sit and sigh mournfully as he thought of Mary Freeton.

### The First Twenty Years of Life.

OH, JOYOUS YOUTH.

"Live as long as you may, the first twenty years of your life is the longest half of it," this was said by one of our modern writers, and we doubt whether anything more true was ever said by any man.

Don't you find—you that have reached middle life, and you that are approaching middle life—that time passes much more quickly than it used to pass? Don't you find, when the evening comes and the day's work is over, that it seems only a few moments since the

day's work began? You may have been very busy; but when you return home to your children it appears a very short time since you left them in the morning. Of course there are exceptional seasons, as when health is bad, or when a heavy grief presses on you; but on the whole, is it not now a subject of constant remark that the days pass with incredible rapidity?

And don't you remember when the case was very different? And don't you remember how long the day used to be, when you yourself were a child—what a crowd of delightful interests multiplied and diversified the hours—and how extensive the prospect was when you looked toward the future? The fact is, you and your children are living lives of different lengths in the same space of time. The day is far longer to them than to you. They feel as if time would never end. You feel, when you think of it, as if its beginning and its ending were almost the same. When they lay their little heads on the pillow, weary with their twelve hours play—their toys broken—their excitement about trifles at the end—their merry laugh, their eager quarrels, at length brought to a pause—those twelve hours have, to them, a very large period in their existence. Your tops too, perhaps, are broken—you to may have been occupied with trifles—your laughter may have been thoughtless—your quarrels inconsiderate—but your longer, your more responsible day, has been far shorter than theirs.

It might not be very difficult to explain this. Our sense of the lapse of time does not depend entirely, or even chiefly on the duration of time itself. When impressions are vivid, forcible, and fresh the time seems long. When the events of our lives are monotonous and uniform—if only meanwhile we are in diligent occupation—the time seems short. Any man may test this for himself by comparing passages of his own experience. The first few days spent in a new place are longer than those that succeed them; but soon the novelty is past; and then the stream moves on, quietly and rapidly as before. And no one, on the other side, needs to be reminded that days of anxiety and watching, when the mind is on the stretch, are frightfully long. At the battle of Waterloo, for instance, can you not imagine, if you remember the circumstances of that engagement, how different was the length of that summer day to the great captain, on the one hand, on whom rested all the suspense and responsibility, and to some private soldier in the ranks, on the other, actively occupied and with nothing to think of but to be prompt and to obey.

How desirable then to make sure of doing something in the present which really will bear good fruit in the future!

### The German Officer.

The whole life of the German officer is devoted to his profession. Unless one has seen what is required of him it is not possible duly to appreciate the patriotism and self-sacrifice which enable men of the highest social standing, in spite of small pay and terrible slow promotion, to endure the monotony of work under such a system, where the recruits come year after year, to remain only just so long as is necessary to convert them into efficient soldiers. In addition to the immense amount of actual physical work demanded of him it is imperative that he shall constantly be extending his theoretical knowledge of war. From the day on which he obtained his commission he is bound to be ever striving to become a master of his profession. Ignorance is not tolerated in any rank, no matter how exalted; indeed, it may truly be said that the higher the officer rises the greater must be his professional attainments, for every one from the highest to the lowest, each in his own degree, must be capable of criticizing in a soldierly and efficient manner all work performed by those under him. Even under the immediate eye of his superior, it is as impossible that real merit should go unrewarded as it is that incompetence or lack of zeal should pass unnoticed. We have already seen that the Captain and his subalterns must be able to conduct the tactical studies which the non-commissioned officers have to carry out under their direction. In like manner the officer commanding a battalion must in his turn be so far superior in professional

attainments of the officers under his command that they might gain real instruction from his teaching.—*Lurray's Magazine.*

### How Col. Ingersoll Meets Prejudice.

"I would never engage Colonel Ingersoll for a counsellor," said a business man the other day; "I should fear that the very prejudice against him on account of his religion would lose the case with the average jury."

The remark calls to mind the uniform practice of the orator before a jury, a practice he adopted at the outset of his career at the bar. He realized that unconscious if not conscious prejudice might quietly work against him, particularly in places where he was not personally known, and so his first object everywhere has been to overcome any secret religious feeling against him.

"There was but one thing that could serve me this purpose," he said to a Philadelphia friend long ago, "and that was humor. There is only one sort of argument that will completely untie the knots in a stubborn, bigoted brain, and that is humorous argument. No fallacy can withstand the force of humor, though all the facts in the universe would not budge it. There is an insidious, undermining power about humor that leaves nothing to prejudice to stand on. About the first case in which I appeared as a pleader there were twelve men on the jury who hated me so religiously that I thought the best thing I could do for my client was to take a train and leave the State. But I didn't. I stayed there and when it came to my turn to address the jury they looked as though they would rather hear an address from Mephistopheles himself. I had some good anecdotes in stock and I began to weave them into my address, one after another, where I thought they would hit. The first one was taken with perfect sobriety. After awhile I got an encouraged wrinkle on one old fellow's face. Another yarn made several of them grin. I was running short of good things to say, but I felt that I dare not stop speaking until I had made every one of them laugh to himself like a good fellow. Before I had finished every juror's face had been many times thoroughly wreathed with smiles and the laughter of the crowd in the court room had been checked repeatedly. I won the case and resolved never to leave a jury, if I could help it, until I had made every man in it take several good quiet laughs, as a guarantee that he had nothing against me personally—as a safeguard against unconscious prejudice.—*Phila. Inquirer.*

### A Workingman's Tribute to Papers.

A workingman in this city who was complaining of hard times recently was asked how he could afford to take a newspaper. "Well," said he, "I hope I shall never be too poor to take a paper. I thought I was too poor for 10 years after I was married. My wife suggested that I take a paper regularly, and I did so, and it was the most economical stroke of my life. It kept me home evenings, afforded me pleasure and instruction and was a comfort to the whole family. I had to stop the use of tobacco for a year once, in order to pay for the paper, and the result was that I had not cared for tobacco since, and in that one item I have saved enough to pay for several papers. So long as I have money enough to buy bread with I will have money enough to pay for my newspaper. There is not a man too poor to read a paper. It is the cheapest investment he can make, both for himself and his family. It is the last expense I will lop off. I will drink my tea and coffee without sugar before I miss my paper, and I can better afford to do so."

### All The Good Ones Gone.

After the dinner. "Here, waiter! my hat."

"What kind of a hat is it, mein Herr?"

"It is a new hat."

"Ah, Herr, all the new hats have been gone for half an hour."

The Russian Government is preparing to introduce a tobacco monopoly throughout the kingdom.

Of course Solomon was the wisest man. A fellow with 700 wives has a chance to get instruction.



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JOHN JARRET the staunch advocate of the tin-plate monopoly has been recognized by the administration. He has been appointed Consul to Birmingham. If his appointment to a fat Consularship will prevent the putting of seven or eight millions more tax on the dinner-pails and kitchen utensils of the country, then indeed is President Harrison entitled to great praise.

SIR QUAY, was floored in Allegheny recently, and Magee succeeded in winning quite a victory. The political contest there hinged upon the question whether Pittsburg was able to manipulate its own affairs without foreign influence. Quay thought not, Magee thought otherwise and won. Quay is a great man, but if his greatness is to last he must quit biting off more than he can chew.

THE death of Allen Thorndyke Rice, editor of the North American Review, and the newly appointed Minister to Russia, in New York last week, is nothing short of a public calamity. He was a man among men, brilliant in literary attainments and possessing the moral courage to disseminate all shades of opinions, ably expressed, upon all important questions pertaining to the leading questions which absorb the attention of the human race. He did much to further progressive thought and to increase intellectual activity.

A CYCLONE visited the vicinity of Scranton, Monday. The storm blew with terrible velocity. Two immense barns were lifted bodily from their foundations and hurled about twenty-five feet away, leaving them a total wreck. Large shade trees snapped as they bent beneath the pressure of the hurricane and covered roadways and fields with their flying branches and prostrated trunks. The whole section of country visited by the storm presents an awful appearance. The wild west no longer has a monopoly of cyclones.

THE recent report of the statistician of the Agricultural department contains much interesting information, particularly that portion relating to the wheat output of the world. It appears that Europe imports only 144,000,000 bushels a year, while she raises, 1,200,000,000 herself, more than one-half of the world's crop and twice that of all America, the United States furnishing to Europe's deficiency 95,000,000 bushels. It is only when brought into contact with official figures that we are able to realize how great is the consumption as well as the yield of the most necessary cereal for man's sustenance.

MONTANA TERRITORY gave a Republican majority of 5,126 in a poll of 40,014 in November last on a square party issue for Congressional Delegate; and the admission of the Territory as a State was accepted by the Republican Senate as assuring two Republican Senators and three Republican Electoral votes in 1892. In pursuance of the enabling act of Congress, the people of Montana lately elected a convention to frame a constitution, and the Democrats have carried a clear working majority of the body, exclusive of several independents. This result pretty clearly foreshadows Democratic State of affairs, Senators and Congressman. This reversal of sentiment is said to have been caused by Mr. Harrison, son of the President, who assumed to control appointments and manipulate the politics of the territory to suit himself. This is simply an old story with a new character.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular correspondent.

WASHINGTON, May 17, 1889.—In the course of a few hours the President sees a queer collection of people. The other day I saw waiting for an audience about a score of people. There were Senator Chandler, nervous, quizzical in expression, donned in sombre black. Near him were seated an old gentleman and a bevy of half a dozen pretty girls. Next to them came Prof. Langston, the colored educator and politician, oily but vindictive, scheming, pushing restlessly. Across from him was seated Col. Thomas Ochiltree, the red-headed ranger of the Rio Grande, dressed in the noisiest of light plaid suits, and talking to a friend in his familiar obtrusive, self-sufficient manner. In a group at the farther end of the room were a couple of old-fashioned colored country preachers, respectful and respectable, accompanied by a broken down old colored man and woman. The faces of the four were anxious and troubled and the old

woman looked pleadingly from one to another for hope. They say not a word but await their turn to enter the President's presence. The four have come to ask that the sentence of this old woman's son, who is to be hanged this week be commuted and, God help her, there is no hope.

Public Printer Palmer is not allowed to get lonesome, or forget that lots of people are warmly interested in his welfare and are willing, nay anxious, to render him all reasonable assistance in conducting the affairs of his office. Congressmen have been frequent callers this week. The Grand Army delegation has called to urge the retention and the favoring of ex-soldiers in promotions. And the office seekers have called by the hundreds to urge their own cases. It is expected that employees discharged during the Democratic administration will be reinstated and that short work will be made of Democrats. Mr. Palmer when in the Chicago Post-office made a record for partisanship which the office seekers fondly hope he will fully sustain in his present place.

About a year ago an ex-page of the Senate, Jacob L. Doty was appointed a United States Consul in Tahiti. Doty, who had reached the serious and diplomatic age of 22 years, packed up his lawn tennis suit and his flannel blazers and hied himself away to the royal court of Tahiti, a court of whose very existence a man might be entirely ignorant and still do business; but a court that Doty writes back to his friends is not to be sneezed at. Many moons ago an Englishman, a Lord D'Arcy with a fine eye for the main chance married a native princess of the South Sea Island. To day the result of the marriage is a beautiful dusky Tahitian princess of 20, in her own right the largest property owner on the island. She possesses cocoa plantations galore and pearl fisheries worth untold millions.

When Consul Doty arrived at Tahiti this maiden was fancy free. Of course, the young noblemen of the islands sighing for her favors were two numerous for comfort. A good many of them were great and howling swells and how she could refuse them all actually shocked the court. But Doty came and conquered. As quick as he landed on the magic island, his loud spring suit made its impression on her susceptible young Tahitian heart and but a few short months and they were engaged.

The princess' English father was, as was natural in a cad who had married a savage princess for her money, made a great howl about the princess marrying below her station. When it was represented to him, however that Consul Doty was a great grandson on his mother's side, of Lord Melbourne, who was an under Secretary of State during the early portion of Queen Victoria's reign, and is also related to the Wallaces and McPhersons and so on and so on my Lord D'Arcy was necessarily disarmed.

Now society in the South Sea Islands is humping itself to celebrate the considerably royal nuptials in the most approved fashion. In all this there is something that amuses me. A young American who was a year ago an humble page in the Senate rakes through his ancestry with a fine comb to find a pedigree that fits him to wed a South Sea Island princess, whose mother wore a ring through her nose and whose grandfather was an epicure in the matter of boiled missionary.

The annual session of the Mount Vernon Ladies' association has closed its annual services and its reports show a satisfactory prosperity and even increasing general interest in the sacred home of Washington.

### READABLE PARAGRAPHS.

The other day in New York, a marriage was celebrated, in which the groom was the great uncle of his wife and his marriage to her makes his wife the aunt of her father, the great aunt of her sisters and the daughter-in-law of her father's grandfather.

Rates of cabin passage by the ocean steamships were never so varied or so reasonable as this season. The prices range from \$35 on two lines up to \$125 which is the highest charge, aside from engaging exclusively accommodation.

The production of wool in India, Central Asia and China is estimated at 300,000,000 pounds, Australia and New Zealand possesses 75,000,000 sheep, producing 200,000,000 pounds of wool, worth \$114,160,000. La Plata possesses 100,000,000 sheep, producing 50,000 tons of wool, worth \$4,840,000 Europe possesses 200,000,000 sheep, yielding 400,000,000 pounds of wool.

Joseph Pelz, a restaurant-keeper of Horton, Kansas, was taken from his house by two hundred men the other night and given seventy-five lashes for ill-treating his step-daughter. Mrs. Pelz, having received intimation of the regulator's visit, sewed her husband up in a feather tick and covered that over with a heavy mattress. She then lay down feigning sleep. Pelz was found, however, and pulled from his feather nest.

### The New South.

From the New York Herald.

Affairs have prospered with our neighbors. They are in a blaze of ambitious excitement. All sorts of projects are on foot, and in the keen eye there is a look of avarice which only dollars can satisfy. They say they have as marketable timber as Michigan, that they don't propose to allow the Lowell mills to absorb the profit of the cotton crop, and lastly that the Pennsylvania iron men will have to keep on the keen jump or they will be undersold by Alabama.

### Barbed Wire.

From the Indianapolis Journal.

The barbed wire patents, which have netted fortunes to their owners, have an interesting history. The first patents were issued to a man named Kelly, living down East. About two years later a farmer at De Kalb Ill., conceived the idea of keeping his unruly cattle in the pasture by putting short barbs on a wire and then twisting it with a plain wire. This is known in the market as the Gideon wire, being named after its inventor, Joseph F. Gideon. One day while he was experimenting with it a neighbor going by shouted: "Joe you better be out harroin' in your oats instead of foolin' away your time with patents!" Gideon thought otherwise, and in less than two years received a bonus of \$60,000, with the guarantee of a royalty on all made under his patents. For one year his royalty exceeded \$174,000.

### Decoration Day Order.

General Orders. No. 9.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T PA., G. A. R. PHILADELPHIA, May 7, 1889.

COMRADES: We are bearing another Memorial Day, when will be strewn the sweetest and fairest flowers of spring-time on the graves in which sleep the Nation's patriot dead. Since the flowers of May were last strewn upon soldier graves, fresh mounds have been raised upon which will be placed the stars and stripes, indicating to us that the brave men who sleep beneath have taken their place in the ranks of the dead. On Memorial Day, comrades living pay tribute to comrades dead. The nation that reverences her patriot dead will always have patriots ready to serve her. Kind hands will not deck the graves of all who fell in defence of the Union. Some

"Rest where they wearied, and sleep where they fell."

their resting-place unmarked, and upon which no tear shall ever be shed or flower strewn, except as the peary tear of dew shall fall or the wild flower lend its beauty and fragrance to adorn the spot. Some sleep in the silent cities of the dead upon their own native hillsides, where the loving hands of friends and kindred will weave the wreath of remembrance and lay it upon their grave. Others sleep in National cemeteries near their old camping grounds, undisturbed by bugle blast or roll of drum. Others sleep peacefully in the embrace of the mighty deep. All were patriots, whose services the Nation willingly acknowledges and gratefully remembers. Loving them and revering their memory, let us learn from their lessons of manliness, of honor, of devotion, of loyalty to country and to flag. The safety of the Republic rests upon the patriotism of coming generations. Upon the Grand Army of the Republic rests a responsibility to keep Memorial Day sacred to the purposes for which it was instituted. In this spirit and for this purpose let us join with all the people in reverently bowing at the graves of the men who kept our land united, our flag unsoiled, and gave to liberty an abiding place, and remembering their heroism, their sacrifice and their death, consecrate ourselves anew and those who come after us in the progress of the centuries to the safety perpetuity and advancement of the Republic. The various posts of this Department will arrange for the observance of Memorial Day, May 30th, 1889, and every comrade in the Department is urged to not only participate in the ceremony, but by his deportment reflect credit upon himself as a Post and the Grand Army of the Republic. By command of Department Commander, THOS. J. STEWART. JAMES MCCORMICK, Asst. Adjt. General.

### Philadelphia Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, May 18, 1889.

FLOUR AND MEAL.	
Minnesota clear	\$3 25 to 4 00
Pennsylvania family	4 50 to 4 75
Patent and other high grades	4 85 to 5 25
Eye flour	2 85 to 3 00
Feed	\$13 50 to \$15 10 per ton.
GRAIN.	
Wheat—red	\$2 to 1 03
Corn	41 to 45
Oats	31 to 33
PROVISIONS.	
Mess Pork	13 50 to 15 50
Mess Beef	9 50 to 10 00
Beef Hams	13 00 to 13 50
Smoked hams, per pound	10 1/2 to 12
Shoulders	8 1/2 to 8 3/4
Lard	9 1/2 to 8 1/4
Butter	15 to 21
Eggs	12 to 14
CATTLE.	
Milk Cows	\$30 00 to \$55 00
Beef Cattle, extra, per pound	4 1/2 to 5
" good	4 1/2 to 4 3/4
" common	3 1/2 to 4
Calves	2 1/2 to 3
Sheep	3 to 4 1/2
Lambs	5 1/2 to 6 1/2
Hogs	6 1/2 to 7 1/2
HAY.	
Average prices for the week ending May 18, 1889.	
Prime Timothy	\$1 10 to 1 15 100 lbs.
Mixed	95 to 1 00
Straw	90 to 95 "

### SPECIAL BARGAINS

—AT THE—

### COLLEGEVILLE

Furniture: Warerooms!

Prices marked right down to a close margin on manufacturers' figures! If you want to buy a

Solid Oak Bedroom Suite!

Antique or plain, 6 pieces, you can get it at Blanchford's for \$25.

Imitation Suites as low as \$16.

Parlor Furniture, latest styles, to suit all tastes, at the lowest figures.

Always in stock at Blanchford's a COMPLETE VARIETY of all kinds and grades of Furniture for any room in any house. Mattresses, Bed Springs, Bedding, Comforts, Feathers, Bolsters, pillows, &c., &c.

Rag, Ingrain, Stair

—AND—

BRUSSELS - CARPET

AT PHILADELPHIA PRICES.

All kinds of repairing and upholstering done promptly at reasonable prices.

Furniture delivered free in first-class order. Carpets sewed and put down if desired.

W. H. Blanchford.

MAGGIE MACGREGOR,

DRESSMAKER,

COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

Will take work at home or can be engaged by the week.

## TRAPPE'S Harness Store!

—A FULL STOCK OF—

Harness and Horse Goods

ALWAYS ON HAND.

New Harness of every description made to order of the best material promptly. Good stock and good workmanship guaranteed. No matter what you may want in the line of harness or horse goods in general, I can furnish you with the same at right prices. Light and heavy Collars, Whips, Blankets, Horse Covers, Fly Nets, &c., &c.

Repairing of Whatever Description Promptly and neatly done. Favor me with your orders.

W. R. Wersler,

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## NEW DRESS GOODS!

Coat Cloths and Jackets.

—FOR THE—

SPRING AND SUMMER OF 1889

—AT—

Howard Leopold's, Pottstown.

WE HAVE FOR SOME TIME BEEN RECEIVING FROM THE LEADING IMPORTERS OF NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA THE CHOICEST VARIETY OF HIGH GRADES OF DRESS GOODS ever shown in Pottstown. Among them are

Finest French Serges at \$1.25 and \$1.50, in Plain Colors, and also in Handsome Plaid and Mixtures.

Fine French Henrietta Cloths in all the New Shades, 62 1/2", 75", 87 1/2", 1.00 and \$1.25.

Fine English Henriettas, a yard and a quarter wide, for 50c.—a bargain.

New Side Band Cloths.

New Cloths in beautiful combinations of colors in Stripes and Plaids.

New Shades in American Cashmeres. Pure Wool Filling, at 10c.

New Double Width Cashmeres, worth 25c.; at 22 1/2c.

Elegant Styles in New Dress Gingham and Mixtures.

New Choice Cloths for Spring Jackets in Colors and Blacks.

We have the best and finest line of JERSEY COATS, for the prices, to be found in America. We had them made to order by a leading manufacturer, who makes both the cloth and the garment, and sells them to only large dealers and manufacturers.

Bottom Prices for Sheetings, Table Linens, Tickings and Towelings.

Howard Leopold, POTTSTOWN, PA.

## GREATEST BARGAINS

—IN—

Store Goods!

EVER OFFERED IN TRAPPE.

Dress Goods, Muslins, Calicoes, Gingham, Cheviots, Table Linens, &c. Cassimeres, Cottonades, Gents' Furnishing Goods! Hats, Caps, &c. and the

Largest Stock of Shoes

For Men, Ladies and Children, of all kinds, to be found in any country store, and in quality and price we take the lead, Men's Brogans, \$1.00. Shoes for Ladies and Men from \$1.25, up to \$5.

—O—

Queensware

Crockeryware

Earthenware, Hardware, Forks, Rakes, Shovels, Spades, &c.

—O—

THE BEST

FRESH GROCERIES

IN FULL ASSORTMENT.

Good Rice, 4 pounds for 25 cents; Peaches, 3 pounds for 25 cents; good Corn, 3 cans for 25 cents. No trash kept in stock.

F. B. RUSHONG,

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JERSEYS

Largest Assortment in the

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RETAIL DEPARTMENT OF THE

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Mail Orders given Careful Attention.

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Opp. Young Men's Christian Association Building.

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Attends to laying out the dead, shroud-making &c.

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Assortment of Goods!

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We are constantly receiving New Goods, and have the largest assortment ever offered before.

Dress Goods!

DELAINES, CHALLIES, GINGHAMS,

PRINTS, AT BOTTOM PRICES.

—OUR STOCK OF—

CLOTHS and CASSIMERES

Was never More Complete.

TABLE LINENS and NAPKINS, TOWELING, HOSIERY, GLOVES.

MEN'S FURNISHING GOODS!

In Complete Variety.

Special Bargains in Ladies', Misses' and Children's Shoes. Men's

Fine Shoes! Men's

Flow Shoes!

Large Stock of Summer Hats!

Queensware, Glassware, &c., Lined

Oil, Lubricating Oil, Paints,

Hardware, &c., &c.

GROCERIES:

Always the best. Choice Evaporated Peaches, 10c.; Prunes, 6c.; Canned Corn, 6c.; Canned Tomatoes, 6c.; Raisins, Apricots, Currants, coconuts, &c., &c., &c. 1 1/2 Headlight Oil, 12c. per gallon.

Beaver & Shellenberger,

TRAPPE, PA.

THE FOOLISH MAN.

Filled with dismay at the

thought of his children he

resolves to KNOW why

it is that his neighbor Mr.

Wiseman succeeds;

he learns from him

the secret is buying the

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"SOLAR TIP SHOES."

THE WISE MAN.

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Medal First-Class Award

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—ALSO, FULL LINE OF—

Ladies' and Gents' Shoes!

Direct from Keystone Shoe Manufacturing Co.

Every pair guaranteed to give satisfaction

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Freed's Celebrated Hand-made Shoes.

Sole Agent for Snap Proof Gum Boot, price \$2.75.

Do. \$3.50 per pair and warranted to wear well.

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Large stock Cashmeres & Cottonades for spring.

Beautiful shades of Tricot dress suitings, only 25

cts. yd., double width. Gingham, 4 yds. for 25c.

All grades of Muslins and Canton Flannels.

Red Ticking, 12c. to 25c.

—O—

GROCERIES!

Maple Sugar Syrup, 50c. gal. Extra Baking

Syrup 40c. gal. 4 cans corn, 25c. 3 cans toma-

toes, 25c. Choice evaporated peaches, 2 lbs. 25c.

Valencia raisins, 3 lbs. 25c. Fresh Rolled Oats, 5

lbs. 25c. Try our choice Rio Coffee, only 25c.

A handsome gift given away with every 1 lb. of

Garden Flower Tea, 15c. quarter. Also largest stock

of wooden ware, tinware, drugs, oils, paints,

hardware, and a specialty of fresh cement and

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GRANITE

—AND—



## Providence Independent.

Thursday, May 23, 1889.

TERMS:—\$1.25 PER YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

This paper has a larger circulation in this section of the county than any other paper published. As an advertising medium the "Independent" ranks among the most desirable papers, having a large and steadily increasing circulation in various localities throughout the county.

It is the aim of the editor and publisher to make the "Independent" one of the best local and general newspapers in the county, or anywhere else, and to this end we invite correspondence from every section.

### PERKIOMEN RAILROAD.

We publish the following schedule gratuitously for the convenience of our readers.

Passenger trains leave Collegeville Station as follows:

FOR PHILADELPHIA AND POINTS SOUTH.

Milk.....5.38 a. m.  
Market.....5.43 a. m.  
Market.....5.48 a. m.  
Market.....5.53 a. m.

FOR ALLENTOWN AND POINTS NORTH AND WEST.

Milk.....8.03 a. m.  
Market.....8.11 a. m.  
Market.....8.16 a. m.  
Market.....8.21 a. m.

SUNDAYS—SOUTH.

Milk.....6.24 a. m.  
Market.....6.29 a. m.  
Market.....6.34 a. m.  
Market.....6.39 a. m.

NORTH.

Milk.....9.14 a. m.  
Market.....9.21 a. m.  
Market.....9.26 a. m.  
Market.....9.31 a. m.

Home Flashes and Stray Sparks From Abroad.

—How beautiful this May of 1889!

—How luxuriant the vegetation!

—Every tree and plant, shrub and vine densely attired in the richest robe of green!

—Dr. Hamer would say the conditions (heat and moisture) have been unusually favorable for the elaboration of chlorophyll.

—And it's no wonder our excellent friend "Iron Grey" was lead to poetize his thoughts while enjoying the enrapturing beauties of nature. We are always glad to hear from "Iron Grey."

—Decoration Day—next Thursday, May 30. Remember the graves of the soldier dead.

—Mr. J. K. Beaver has been appointed postmaster at Trappe. This statement is a trifle late—so is the hour of shutting certain front gates, sometimes.

—Mr. Poole, of Skipkack, has sold his bay trotting horse to Mr. Blair, of Philadelphia. The horse was in Mr. Moore's charge at the Park when sold.

—If "Barney" puts on his pacing airs Saturday afternoon, somebody will have to move right smart—or get left.

—Florists and Gardeners Rimby and Prizer come to the front in this issue with very reasonable announcements.

—Rev. Chas. Wehler, (at least Mr. Wehler will be a Reverend very soon,) occupied the pulpit in Trinity church, Sunday evening. His discourse made an excellent impression and gave rise to flattering comments.

—Read advertisement of Chas. H. Detwiler, V. S., in another column. He is energetic and enterprising and his practice is increasing rapidly.

—The commencement exercises of the Worcester public schools, at the Schwenkfelder meeting house last Saturday afternoon, attracted a very large gathering, and the exercises throughout were interesting.

—Mr. Gotwals the Providence Square merchant publishes a new advertisement elsewhere in this paper. He is abreast with the times all the time.

—For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, Pension Agent Davis, at Philadelphia, disbursed nearly \$5,000,000 to pensioners.

—Sparkling soda water, 5 cents per glass, at Culbert's drug store.

—Combination sale of personal property at Dorworth's hotel, this (Thursday) afternoon.

—An invoice of new and choice books for the library of the Collegeville grammar school has been received. The teacher and pupils will meet this (Thursday) evening and place the books in the library.

—A sneak thief visited L. H. Ingram's place Tuesday night and stole several articles of wearing apparel from the clothes line in the back yard. The boss heard the fleeing footsteps of the villain.

—G. A. Clifton will sell 10 fine Ohio horses and 12 extra Ohio fresh cows at Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, next Tuesday, May 28. See adv. and posters.

—A bill prohibiting the killing of any song bird, passed at the recent session of the Legislature, has been signed by the Governor. The penalty is \$10 to \$50 fine, and five to thirty days imprisonment. We hope the new law will be rigidly enforced.

—Bro. Bardman, of the Schwenkville Item, was in town yesterday morning. He was driving his sorrel trotting pony, and quite a fine little animal it is.

—Mrs. Rebecca Casselberry, of Evansburg, is confined to her bed suffering from the effects of a badly sprained ankle and other injuries caused by a fall.

—Miss Sarah Emmert died at the residence of Uriah Reed, Trappe, Tuesday of last week, aged 34 years. The funeral was held Saturday. Interment in the old Goschenhoppen cemetery.

—The oldest living twins in this country were born in Bucks county. They are Jonathan and George Buckman, born April 22, 1803, the former now living at Washington, D. C., and the latter at Millville, New Jersey.

—From Evansburg:—"Philo wishes 'Pencil' to understand that a man who comes home loaded with benzine, and who makes a dozen ineffectual attempts on his hands and knees to mount his doorstep, has more need for an ice-bag on his head than the reporter who makes a slight mistake."

—Mr. Lewis R. Harley until recently engaged as principal of the Evansburg Grammar School, left that place last week and is now engaged on the editorial staff of the Harleysville News. Mr. Harley is a voluminous writer and a poet of no mean capacity.

—M. J. Flannan, of Michigan, will lecture in the College Chapel on the subject of Prohibition this (Thursday) evening. Mr. Flannan is reputed to be a first-class speaker, and his services have been secured with some difficulty. Admission free.

### Wedded.

On Saturday, May 18, at the parsonage of the church of the Transfiguration, Pottstown, by Rev. O. P. Smith, Mr. Monroe B. Wick of Spring Mount, and Miss Katie U. Tyson of Limerick, both of Montgomery county.

### Y. P. A.

The monthly literary meeting of the Y. P. A., of St. Luke's church, Trappe, was not held on Tuesday evening, May 14, because of the heavy rain. It will take place this (Thursday) evening instead.

### From Centre Square.

Last Sunday morning Camp, No. 223, P. O. S. of A., of Penn Square, attended in a body St. John's Lutheran church, Centre Square, and Rev. Mr. Parks, the new pastor of that church, delivered a special sermon for the occasion, which was favorably received.

### Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting and election of the Union Mutual Fire and Storm Insurance Company of Montgomery county, will be held in the Company's office, Norristown, on Monday, May 27th, between 10 o'clock a. m. and 1 p. m. Thirteen Directors will be chosen to serve the ensuing year.

### Organized.

The graduates of the public schools of Perkiomen township have organized an Alumni Association with the following officers: President, Alvin Wagner; Vice-President, Frank Bromer; Secretary, John Hunsicker; Treasurer, Horace Keely; toast-mistress, Ella Bean; Editor, Augustus Hendricks.

### Firemen's Parade.

The fireman's parade at Roversford, last Saturday, was an imposing affair and the occasion is said to have been the greatest in the history of Roversford, as never before were so many people gathered within its borders. The new engine was housed by the Humane Fire Company of Norristown.

### An Egg Extraordinary.

Mahlon Ringler, of Lower Providence, has been heard from in reference to a hen's egg of extraordinary size. The same measures 8 x 10 inches in circumference and weighs seven ounces. Mr. Ringler feels quite proud of the hen that laid the mammoth egg, and thinks his hen is ahead of all competitors. We think so, too.

### A Sunday Cyclone.

On Sunday evening, between 5 and 6 o'clock, a cyclone started about two miles south of East Greenville, Montgomery county, passing northward some 3 miles. It cut a swath of about 100 yards in width, and was more severe than the big storm of May 10th. Five or six barns were unroofed and damaged and fence posts just recently planted were pulled up and hurled around. The store of Absalom Kolb, at Fruitville, Upper Hanover, had the front wall blown in from the second story joists down.

### Grand Musical.

Do not forget the Grand Musical in Ursinus College Chapel, Monday evening, May 27, 1889. It promises to be the finest entertainment held in the College chapel for a long time. Miss Cora Wiest, the well-known sopranoist, of Harrisburg, Pa., will sing. The Aeolian Orchestra will furnish some of their choice selections. Vocal and instrumental solos and duets by able performers. This musical will be under the direction of Mr. O. H. E. Rauch, '89. The proceeds will be devoted toward sending impetuous students to their homes to vote for the Prohibition Amendment. Reserved seats, 30 cents; general admission, 25 cents.

### From Lower Providence.

At the open meeting of the Alumni Association of the graduates of the Lower Providence public schools, Tuesday evening of last week, the following program was presented in an acceptable manner: Invocation, Rev. S. C. Dare; President's address, John R. Davis; Music, Quartette, "Hail to the Beautiful Queen;" Recitation, "Pyramus and Thisbe;" May Getty; Essay, "Beauties of Nature;" Lizzie Reiner; Vocal Duets, Laura Higby and Belle Weikel; Oration, "Wait," Frank Saylor; Music, Quartette, "Homeward Bound;" Poem, "85's Greeting;" Janet Corson; Music, Quartette, "Beautiful River;" History of class of '83," Bertha Perry; Music Vocal Duets, Laura Higby and Belle Weikel; Recitation, "Mary the Maid of the Inn;" Amanda Janet; Music, "Let

us bow before Him;" Benediction, Rev. S. O. Perry. After the very pleasant exercises of the evening the members of the Alumni retired to the residence of Rev. S. O. Perry where a sumptuous banquet fittingly closed the happy meeting of the Association.

### Delegate Election.

Capt. H. H. Fetterolf, county committeeman, announces that the Republican voters of Upper Providence, upper district, will meet at J. Smoyer's hotel, Trappe, Saturday evening, May 25, between the hours of 7 and 9, for the purpose of electing three delegates to represent the district in the Republican county convention to be held in Music hall, Norristown, on Tuesday, May 28.

### Sneak Thieves.

Sneak thieves plied their nefarious business about town Friday evening. From the cellar at Edward Paist's residence a quantity of eatables were stolen, and the larder was high depleated. The office of Gristock and Vandervice was ransacked, but nothing of value taken, as the funds of the firm are not kept in the safe to serve as a reward for the exertions of thieving bummers.

### Personal.

Mrs. Samuel H. Hendricks, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. E. Crater, of Parkersford, Chester county, were the guests of Mrs. and Miss Grubb, School street, over Sunday.

Mr. L. Rint and family, and Miss Hermann, all of Philadelphia, are stopping at Alderfer's Perkiomen Bridge Hotel.

### Festivals.

A strawberry and ice cream festival will be given by the Garwood U. S. S. School, this township, in the almshouse grove, on Saturday afternoon and evening, June 1. The Roversford Band will furnish attractive music.

The annual strawberry and ice cream festival of the Episcopal Sunday school, Evansburg, will be held in the church grove on Saturday afternoon and evening, June 8. The Eagleville Cornet Band will be present in the evening and discourse enlivening music.

### A Good Time Ahead.

The trials of speed at the Spring opening of the Collegeville Driving Park, next Saturday afternoon, May 25, will undoubtedly attract a large number of spectators. Our farmer friends have about finished planting corn, so that half a holiday next Saturday will just come in right. The proprietor, Mr. Zimmerman, extends a cordial invitation to all to be present, and of course this invitation includes the ladies. The trotters and pacers will be divided into three classes, as follows: 4:00, 3:30, 3:00 and 2:50. Don't forget the Park next Saturday afternoon.

### Excursion to Harrisonburg, Va.

Harrisonburg is located in Rockingham county, Virginia, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which is the only road running to the town. The Dunders Annual Meeting will be held at this point on June 11. The B. & O. R. R. will sell excursion tickets to Harrisonburg, Va., and return at one fare for the round trip, from all points on its line. Tickets on sale from May 25th to June 11th good for return passage until July 5th. Persons desiring to attend this meeting can get all information by applying to ticket agents of the B. & O. and P. R. R., or to D. D. Courtney, Trav. Pass. Agt. B. & O. R. R., 15 N. 6th street, Reading, Pa.

### Two Summer Resorts.

Mr. Jonas Bowman proprietor of Prospect Terrace the extensive summer resort, this place, will be "mine host" in earnest during the season about to open for in addition to the management of the Terrace he will conduct his spacious and popular hotel at Angelsea, Cape May county, N. J. In the management of the Terrace will have the assistance of his son Dr. D. G. Bowman, and at Angelsea his nephew Wm. Bowman will serve as general superintendent. The scribe has been invited to visit Angelsea this summer to relax and recuperate, and since he is in the habit of accepting kind offers it is probable he will get there.

### From Black Rock.

The Phila. & Reading Railroad Company are enlarging the Black Rock tunnel north of Phoenixville. The intention is to enlarge it four feet on the eastern side. The bridge will also be widened six feet. There are in the neighborhood of fifty or sixty men engaged in the work; the majority are negroes. It is interesting to watch them drilling holes for blasting. One holds the drills, turning it somewhat after each time it is struck. The one using the hammer strikes very deliberately, but with great force, seldom if ever missing the drill. All trains run on the north bound track, special switches having been put in for this purpose.

The Garwood U. S. S. organized some time ago, for the summer. The majority of the old officers were re-elected.

The visits of Ursinus College students, under the leadership of Mr. Rauch and Mr. Jones, to the almshouse, have become very interesting. Quite a large number of the inmates attend. Usually some of the neighbors attend as well, so the meetings are large. The walls of the meeting room have been papered, the floor carpeted, an organ and altar purchased. The benches have been replaced by chairs. Altogether the surroundings are very pleasant.

### For the Independent.

No Spring Poem Offered Yet?—Well, Well!

Friend Moser, I have lately learned

A sad and grievous thing—

That no one yet had offered you

A poem on the Spring!

Now could I write I'd surely make

You happy as a king—

By sending you a basket full

Of poems on the Spring.

Indeed, it really seems to me

A very curious thing:

That no one can a poem write

On such a glorious Spring.

While all around among the bowers

The merry voices ring,

It seems no one can stop and write

A poem on the Spring.

Whose fault it is I cannot say,

But printers often fling

A light and careless speech about

The poems on the Spring.

And since I am no poet and,

Can neither write nor sing,

'Tis far beyond my power to write

A poem on the Spring.

### Decoration Day.

At this writing no special arrangements have been made for the observance of Decoration Day in this vicinity, but it is not probable that the graves of the soldiers will be neglected.

General George B. McClellan Post, No. 515, G. A. R., of Schwenksville, will meet at eight o'clock and proceed to Keeler's church, where the ceremonies will include an oration by Rev. W. B. Fox. Returning, the Post, and Camp No. 369, P. O. S. of A., of Schwenksville, the Order of American Mechanics of Limerick Square, and the Knights of the Golden Eagle, Ironbridge, will assemble at Keeler's church, where full services will be held at 2 o'clock, p. m. The leading feature of the afternoon will be an oration by the eloquent Rev. H. C. Grossman, of Phoenixville, member of Post 45, who having served his country with unflinching courage and unflinching fidelity, can now with much propriety exercise his magnificent powers of speech in portraying the requirements of patriotism, as a fitting sequence to the beautiful custom of placing the choicest flowers of May on the mounds of the soldier dead.

### FROM GRATER'S FORD.

The commencement exercises of the public schools of this township will be held on Saturday evening next in Keeler's hall at Ironbridge. Everything is being done to make the exercises interesting, and a full house may be expected.

On Monday night of last week burglars broke into the cellar of Abram Tyson near this place, and took therefrom one ham and a lot of eatables. They gained an entrance through an outside cellar door.

The genial M. D., who always has a kind word for all, has been unusually happy the past week. There must be some cause or other for it, unless he does it purp-osely.

The services in the chapel on Sunday evening, on account of the unfavorable weather, were not very largely attended.

A. Z. Schwenk, our slater, is very busy just now, having quite a large number of orders ahead which will, in all probability, keep him busy during the summer months.

Sallie Degler, a 10-year-old daughter of William T. Degler, while playing in the yard on Saturday last, ran into a manure fork, the tine penetrating the heel, causing a painful wound.

Rev. G. W. Gross, of Allentown, gave an open-air meeting on Saturday evening last in this place. The meeting was held in the vicinity of the depot, and was listened to by about 70 or 75 persons. He brought forth some very strong arguments in favor of the Prohibitory Amendment.

The Sunday school at this place is in a very prosperous condition, nearly a hundred pupils being enrolled, and a great deal of interest is being manifested on the part of both teachers and pupils for the success of the good work.

### An Immense Establishment.

We were invited last week to visit and inspect the large new clothing store of A. Weitzenkorn & Sons in Pottstown, in time to write a description of it to appear simultaneously with their advertisement contained in this issue. The store was built to meet the requirements of their rapidly increasing business. To begin with the room for size and beauty cannot be surpassed by any in Philadelphia, and outside of Philadelphia there is not a clothing room in Eastern Penna. as large. The building rests on a lot 30 by 140 feet, and covers the entire surface; the front is three stories, pressed brick; height to roof, 58 feet. The show windows are solid plate glass, 10 feet square, as roomy as many a kitchen. The lighting of the store is the finest we have ever seen, two skylights 20 feet square making the inside as light as broad-day, something that everyone appreciates; a place where you can see perfectly what you are buying. The first 40 feet as you enter are taken up by their Hat and Gents' Dressing Department. The balance of the floor space is devoted exclusively to Clothing, their assortment of which is tremendous, and it must be indeed a particular person that could not suit himself out of those piles of materials. Their methods of doing business are explained by Mr. A. Weitzenkorn are these: 1st, one price strictly; 2d, any garment not satisfactory after inspection at home may be returned within ten days and full amount of money paid will be refunded. In every respect it is a model store and thoroughly reliable in every respect.

### Jottings from Ursinus.

The final examinations of the senior theological class were held last Friday. The following members of the visiting committee were present: Dr. Keller, Dr. Klopp, Dr. Shumaker, Dr. Good, and Rev. John H. Sechler. There were nine in the class, and all have left for their homes where they will await the meeting of their respective classes, when they will be examined for licensure. We wish them all abundant success in their new sphere of life.

The Schaff Literary Society held its open meeting on Tuesday evening, May 21. The musical part of the program was furnished by members of the Society, with Miss Sallie Hendricks as accompanist. The performers of both literary and musical parts of the program acquitted themselves in a highly creditable manner, eliciting words of praise from many of the audience. The following is the full program: Music, "When my ship comes o'er the sea," by the Schaff Quartette; Declaration, "Then and now," by H. M. Wright; Essay, "Education of the will," by Chas. Brey; Music, Violin solo, with guitar accompaniment; Declaration, "The hunter's last ride," by H. P. Keely; Essay, "Covetousness," by W. R. Smith; Music, "Murmuring voice of the deep," by Ralph Royer; Declaration, "Life's journey," by J. Morton Mensch; Essay, "Conversation," Wm. Knipe; Music, Guitar duet, "Spanish Fandango;" Oration, "Temperance," by Ralph Royer; Schaff Gazette, by I. C. Williams; Music, "I'm king o'er the land and the sea."

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until all the lumps are moved; add as  
much powdered resin as will lie on a  
dime, and half a dozen cloves. Have  
ready a teacup of boiling water, pour  
the flour mixture into it, stirring well  
at the time. In a very few minutes it  
will be of the consistency of mush; let  
it cool; cover it and set in a cool  
place; when needed for use take out a  
portion and soften it with warm water.

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ward drying and sifting out the dirt  
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ers are not only deodorized but are liv-  
ened up in such a manner as to appear  
almost as good as new. New feathers  
need no treatment except drying suffi-  
ciently to take out the moisture they  
contain after being plucked from the  
geese. Owing to their extreme light-  
ness they can rarely be spread out, but  
should be dried in a closed room where  
if possible, the sun can shine on them  
through the windows, or in thin sacks  
to prevent them from flying about  
when laid on a scaffold out of doors in  
the sun. Feather beds and pillows  
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posed to the sun quite often, and if  
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following named times and places, for the pur-  
pose of receiving the State and County Taxes  
for the year 1889, assessed in their respective  
districts, viz:—

Borough of Norristown, 1st and 2d wards, at  
the County Treasurer's office, Monday, June 3,  
from 8 1/2 to 12 a. m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of Norristown, 3d and 4th wards, at  
the County Treasurer's office, Tuesday, June 4,  
from 8 1/2 to 12 a. m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of Norristown, 5th and 6th wards, at  
the County Treasurer's office, Wednesday, June 5,  
from 8 1/2 to 12 a. m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of Norristown, 7th and 8th wards, at  
the County Treasurer's office, Thursday, June 6,  
from 8 1/2 to 12 a. m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of Norristown, 9th ward, and Bor-  
ough of Bridgeport, at the County Treasurer's  
office, Friday, June 7, from 8 1/2 to 12 a. m. and from  
1 to 3 p. m.

Township of Norriton, at the County Treas-  
urer's office, Saturday, June 8, from 8 1/2 to 11  
a. m. and from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of Conshohocken, 1st ward, at the  
public house of John C. Grier, Monday, June 10,  
from 9 to 11 a. m.  
Borough of Conshohocken, 2d ward, at the  
public house of Rudolph Ackerman, Monday,  
June 10, from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of West Conshohocken, at the pub-  
lic house of Martin Hushen, Tuesday, June 11,  
from 8 to 11 a. m.  
Borough of Conshohocken, 3d ward, at the  
public house of James Ward, Tuesday, June 11,  
from 1 to 3 p. m.

Township of Upper Merion, at the public  
house of Mrs. Magdaline B. Hoy, Wednesday,  
June 12, from 10 to 3 p. m.  
Township of Plymouth, at the public house of  
Rosanna Marple, Thursday, June 13, from 1 to 3  
p. m.  
Township of Whitmarsh, West and Middle  
Districts, at the public house of John Beyerly,  
Thursday, June 13, from 9 to 12 p. m.  
Township of Springfield, at the public house  
of Edward McCloskey, Friday, June 14, from 9  
to 12 p. m.

Township of Whitmarsh, East District, at the  
public house of Wm. Schaffer, Friday, June 14,  
from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Township of Upper Dublin, at the public  
house of Charles H. Palmer, Monday, June 17,  
from 10 to 12 p. m.  
Borough of Ambler, at the public house of  
Samuel F. Godfrey, Monday, June 17, from 1 to 3  
p. m.

Township of Lower Merion, Bryn Mawr Dis-  
trict, at the office of J. S. Garrigues, Tuesday,  
June 18, from 9 to 11 a. m.  
Township of Lower Merion, Upper District, at  
the public house of K. Johnson, Tuesday,  
June 18, from 12 1/2 to 3 p. m.  
Township of Lower Merion, Lower District, at  
the public house of James Baird, Wednesday,  
June 19, from 8 to 11 a. m.

Township of Lower Merion, Ardmore District,  
at the public house of Joseph H. Edwards, Wed-  
nesday, June 19, from 12 to 3 p. m.  
Township of Lower Merion, East District, at  
the office of Bernard McGonagle, Thursday,  
June 20, from 9 to 12 p. m.  
Township of Gwynedd, Lower District, at the  
public house of Samuel C. Custer, Friday, June  
21, from 9 to 12 p. m.

Township of Gwynedd, Upper District, at the  
public house of John Bookhamer, Friday, June  
21, from 1 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of North Wales, at the public house  
of J. K. Schwenk, Monday, June 24, from 10  
to 12 p. m.  
Township of Montgomery, at the public house  
of Francis Kile, Tuesday, June 25, from 10 to 3  
p. m.  
Township of Upper Providence, Upper Dis-  
trict, at the public house of Jacob Smoyer, Wed-  
nesday, June 26, from 9 to 3 p. m.  
Borough of Royersford, at the public house  
of Jacob Smith, Thursday, July 27, from 10 to 3  
p. m.  
Township of Upper Providence, Lower Dis-  
trict, at Port Providence Hall, Friday, June 28,  
from 10 to 3 p. m.

Borough of Pottstown, 9th ward, at the pub-  
lic house of James Frederick, Thursday, July  
11, from 1 to 4 p. m.

Borough of Pottstown, west ward, at the pub-  
lic house of W. R. Shuler, Friday, July 12, from  
9 to 3 p. m.

Township of Pottsgrove, Lower District, at  
the public house of Kate V. R. Ganger, Monday,  
July 15, from 8 to 12 p. m.

Township of Pottsgrove, Upper District, at  
the public house of Samuel Geiger, Monday,  
July 15, from 1 to 4 p. m.

Township of Douglass, West District, at the  
public house of Jacob L. Bickel, Tuesday, July  
16, from 8 1/2 to 11 1/2 p. m.

Township of Douglass, East District, at the  
public house of Henry H. Renninger, Tuesday,  
July 16, from 1 to 4 p. m.

Township of New Hanover, at the public  
house of A. E. Weand, Wednesday, July 17,  
from 9 to 3 p. m.

Township of Frederick, at the public house of  
Samuel Sassaman, Thursday, July 18, from 8  
to 12 p. m.

Township of Marlborough, at the public house  
of Samuel Barnet, Friday, July 19, from 10 to 2  
p. m.

Borough of Greenlane, at the public house of  
Geo. Shenkel, Friday, July 19, from 3 to 6 p. m.

Borough of Pennsburg, at the public house of  
Daniel K. Graber, Saturday, July 20, from 9 to 12  
p. m.

Borough of East Greenville, at the public  
house of G. B. Keely, Saturday, July 20, from  
1 to 4 p. m.

Township of Upper Hanover, at the public  
house of Jonas Haring, Monday, July 22, from  
10 to 3 p. m.

Township of Upper Salford, East District, at  
the public house of Jacob P. Dannehower, Tues-  
day, July 23, from 8 to 11 a. m.

Township of Upper Salford, West District, at  
the public house of Joshua R. Kolb, Tuesday,  
July 23, from 1 to 4 p. m.

Township of Lower Salford, at the public  
house of V. S. Ziegler, Wednesday, July 24,  
from 9 to 3 p. m.

Township of Perkiomen, at the public house  
of David H. Bean, Thursday, July 25, from 9  
to 3 p. m.

Township of Skippack, at the public house of  
Michael S. Croll, Friday, July 26, from 9 to 3  
p. m.

Borough of Lansdale, at the public house of  
Abr. G. Freed, Saturday, July 27, from 9 to 3  
p. m.

Township of Franconia, at the public house of  
Gideon N. Nyce, Monday, July 29, from 9 to 3  
p. m.

Borough of Southington, at the public house  
of Wm. H. Freed, Tuesday, July 30, from 9 to 12  
p. m.

Township of Hatfield, at the public house  
of Jas. H. Carver, Tuesday, July 30, from 1 to 3  
p. m.

Township of Towamencin, at the public house  
of A. S. Bickel, Wednesday, July 31, from 10  
to 3 p. m.

Borough of Hatboro, at the public house  
of John B. Jones, Thursday, Aug. 1, from 10 to 3  
p. m.

Township of Moreland, Lower District, at the  
public house of Louis M. Schuck, Friday, Aug.  
2, from 8 to 12 p. m.

Township of Moreland, Upper District, at the  
public house of John C. Hobensack, Friday,  
Aug. 2, from 1 to 4 p. m.

Township of Abington, at the public house  
of George Herrman, Tuesday, Aug. 6, from 10 to 4  
p. m.

Borough of Jenkintown, at the public house  
of G. F. Cottman, Wednesday, Aug. 7, from 10  
to 3 p. m.

Township of Cheltenham, at the public house  
of Benj. C. DuBree, Thursday, Aug. 8, from 8  
to 12 p. m.

Taxes will be received at the County Treas-  
urer's office from June 3 to September 15, from  
8 1/2 to 12 a. m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.

Correspondence to receive attention must be  
accompanied by postage for reply, and in all  
cases location of property must be definitely  
given.

Inquiries relative to taxes, received after Sep-  
tember 10, will not be answered.

Taxes not paid to the County Treasurer on or  
before the 15th day of September, 1889, will be  
given into the hands of the collector, when 5  
per cent. will be added for collection, as per act  
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County Treasurer's Office, Norristown, May 1,  
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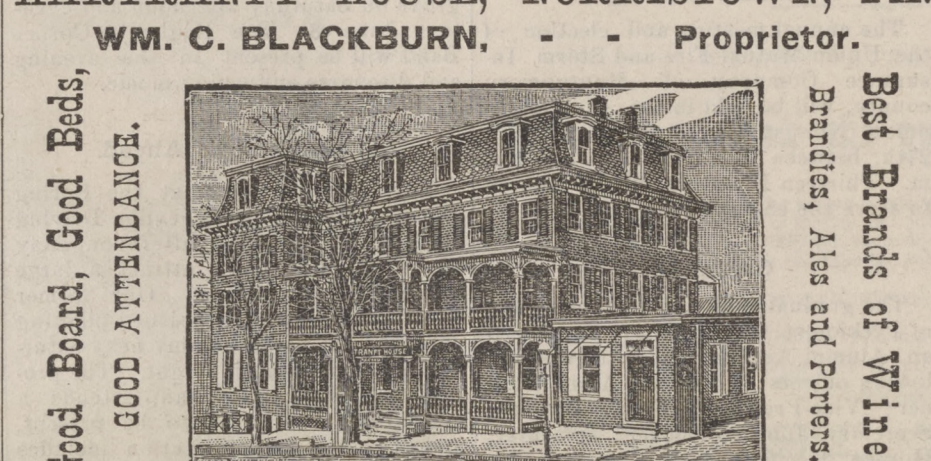
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